

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA**

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CONSTRUCTION OF GLASS HOUSES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether certain glass houses were to be constructed in the country but the same have not yet been constructed despite funds being made available;
- (b) if so, the reasons for the inordinate delay in the construction of the glass houses; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to construct the glass houses and the time by which those are likely to be constructed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (c): The Government has no specific programme for the construction of glass houses by the Ministry of Agriculture. However, the Government has been providing assistance to the farmers since the Eighth Five Year Plan for the construction of greenhouses under the Centrally sponsored Scheme on Use of Plastics in Agriculture. Till 1999-2000, an area of 497 ha have been covered under green houses. The scheme was implemented till October 2000. Thereafter the above Scheme was subsumed under the Centrally sponsored Scheme on Macro Management in Agriculture- Supplementation/Complementation of State Efforts through Work Plans. Under this scheme the State Governments have been given the flexibility to take up programmes as per their felt needs and requirement.